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A COMMUNICATION FROM THE
OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER
"ABLE" MABLE THOMAS, CHAIR OF
COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL

A COMMUNICATION TRANSMITTING THE
APPOINTMENT OF MR. JOE BEASLEY
BY COUNCIL MEMBER MICHAEL J. BOND
TO THE GENTRIFICATION TASK FORCE
FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS. THIS
APPOINTMENT IS SCHEDULED TO
BEGIN ON THE DATE OF COUNCIL
CONFIRMATION.

CONFIRMED BY

OCT 0 2 2000

COUNCIL

- ☐ CONSENT REFER
☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
☒ PERSONAL PAPER REFER
COMMUNICATION

Date Referred

8/7/00

Referred To:

CD/HR & COMM. ON COUNCIL

Date Referred

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First Reading

Committee _____
Date _____
Chair _____
Referred to _____

Committee CD/HR
Date 8/16/00
Chair Michael J. Bond
Action: No Recommendation
Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)
Other: Chair & McGary
Members Michael J. Bond, Michael McGary, Philip Anderson
Refer To COC

Committee COC
Date 10/2/00
Chair Abel Mable Thomas
Action: Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)
Other: _____
Members Michael McGary, Philip Anderson
Refer To _____

Committee COC
Date 9/5/00
Chair Abel Mable Thomas
Action: Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)
Other: _____
Members Michael McGary, Philip Anderson
Refer To _____

Committee _____
Date _____
Chair _____
Action: _____
Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)
Other: _____
Members _____
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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

☐ 2nd ☐ 1st & 2nd ☐ 3rd
Readings
☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☐ RC Vote

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Michael McGary

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Philip Anderson
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION



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August 3, 2000

MEMORANDUM

To: President Robb Pitts
Atlanta City Council

From: "Able" Mable Thomas, Chair
Committee on Council

Re: **APPOINTMENT TO THE GENTRIFICATION TASK FORCE**

By this memorandum I am transmitting the following appointment to the Gentrification Task Force:

Name

Appointed by Council member

Mr. Joe Beasley

Michael J. Bond

This appointment is for a 2-year term and is scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

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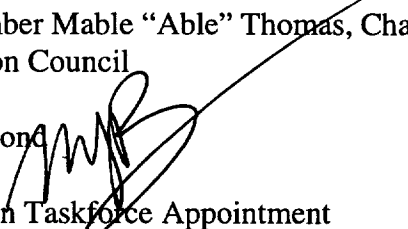
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July 25, 2000

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TO: Councilmember Mable "Able" Thomas, Chair
Committee on Council

FROM: Michael J. Bond 

RE: Gentrification Taskforce Appointment

It is with great pleasure that I appoint local activist and social justice advocate, Mr. Joe Beasley, to the City of Atlanta Gentrification Taskforce.

A biographical statement for Mr. Beasley is forthcoming.

Thank you for your assistance.



ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL


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August 8, 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mable Thomas, Chair
Committee on Council

FROM: Michael J. Bond 

Re: GENTRIFICATION TASK FORCE

Attached is the biographical sketch for my appointee to the City of Atlanta Gentrification Task Force, Mr. Joseph Beasley.

Thank you for your attention.

cc: Mr. Stephen Tam

Joseph H. Beasley
Biographical Sketch

Joseph H. Beasley is the Southern Regional Director of the National Rainbow/PUSH Coalition. He has actively fought discrimination and injustice regionally, nationally and internationally. Since his appointment in 1993 by the Reverend Jesse Jackson Sr., Rainbow/PUSH National Chair and Founder, Mr. Beasley has provided leadership for the Southern Region which bounds from Texas to Maryland. Mr. Beasley has been an agent for change through his work as the Director of the Human Resources Ministry of Antioch Baptist Church North and as the Executive Director, Antioch Urban Ministries, Inc. (AUMI), Atlanta, Georgia. Through his facilitation, Antioch Baptist Church North has created a national model for supporting and transitioning homeless persons with special needs to stable environments.

Mr. Beasley was born the son of a sharecropper on December 27, 1936 in Fayetteville, Georgia. Raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, he attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, and later earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Park College in Kansas, City Kansas. He completed advanced studies in criminal justice at Clark Atlanta University.

He served 21 years in the U.S. Air Force and retired in 1978. While serving in the Air Force, Mr. Beasley began his fight for social justice by founding several organizations to support African American servicemen including: "The Society for Black Unity" in Thailand and "Brothers United Together," in North Carolina.

Mr. Beasley began his work with PUSH in 1976 when he was one of the organizers of the Kansas City chapter of Operation PUSH. He served on the organization's Board of Directors and later held the positions of Executive Director and Chief Operations Officer. Under his leadership, the Chapter became an effective community outreach and education resource for youth, the unemployed and the incarcerated. In 1981, Mr. Beasley moved to Atlanta and was named Executive Director of the Atlanta Operation PUSH chapter. Mr. Beasley was appointed Rainbow/PUSH Southern Regional Director in 1993.

During the 1984 and 1988 presidential campaigns, Mr. Beasley served as the Georgia Deputy Director for presidential candidate Jesse Jackson, successfully rallying grassroots support. In 1984, he served as a delegate to the National Democratic Convention and as a member of the Democratic Party's Platform Committee. As part of his efforts to support voting rights, Mr. Beasley was actively involved in Georgia's redistricting challenge to increase African American representation in elective offices. As a result, the number of the state's African American members in congress increased from one to three.

Mr. Beasley has worked tirelessly to support peace efforts and civil rights internationally. He was a member of the Peace Makers tours of the Middle East in 1992, South Korea in 1993 and 1998. In 1993, he collaborated in the founding of the Atlanta Friendship Council, which seeks to foster an understanding between the diverse cultures of Koreans and African Americans. He worked with the African National Congress in a campaign to register voters prior to the presidential elections in South Africa in 1994. He was an official non-governmental representative to the United Nations Habitat II conference, held in Istanbul, Turkey in 1997.

Joseph Beasley
Biographical Sketch
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This conference was designed to bring leaders together from around the world to discuss options for developing sustainable communities. Mr. Beasley has developed close ties with Haiti on projects to establish educational and health facilities in the impoverished region around Port Au-Prince. Further, he has served as an official monitor of the election of Haiti's President Preval who is the second democratically elected president in the country's history.

While continuing his efforts to fight for civil rights and justice for the underserved, Mr. Beasley has turned to developing viable economic vehicles to create wealth in underserved communities. In 1995, Mr. Beasley was appointed to a board that sought to implement church based economic programs and Empowerment Zones in Atlanta, Detroit, and New York City. The Empowerment Zone Committee awarded grants of \$100 million to each city to revitalize blighted neighborhoods. He is currently helping to leverage ownership of a multi-million dollar building in downtown Atlanta to construct an \$86 million business park that is scheduled to be completed in 2001.

Mr. Beasley is currently a Board Member of several organizations including: the Atlanta Interfaith Coalition, AfriCare Atlanta, Task Force for the Homeless of Atlanta, Atlanta Black/Jewish Coalition, Christian Council of Georgia, Center for Constitutional Rights, and is a consultant to Clark Atlanta University's Project Redirection, a program that provides alternatives to incarceration for Fulton County non-violent offenders. He is a member of the executive committees of Concerned Black Clergy, the Atlanta Urban Design Center, NAACP, SCLC, Urban League, Operation PUSH, and the Rainbow Coalition.

In 1996 Mr. Beasley was appointed to the Olympic Leadership Team. In 1996 and 1999, Mr. Beasley was named one of the "125 Most Influential People in Atlanta" by the *Atlanta News Weekly*, and the *Macon Informer* named him among the "Top 50 African American Men in Georgia" in 1998.

Mr. Beasley is a sought-after speaker as an advocate of, and lobbyist for, social justice and human dignity. He is the author of several articles and opinion pieces that have appeared in the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, the *Atlanta News Leader*, and others.

Mr. Beasley is married and has three children, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

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Mr. Joe Beasley to Gentrification Task
Force
CONFIRM

YEAS: 12
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 2
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 2

Y McCarty	B Dorsey	Y Moore	Y Thomas
Y Starnes	Y Woolard	B Martin	Y Emmons
Y Bond	Y Morris	Y Maddox	Y Alexander
Y Winslow	Y Muller	NV Boazman	NV Pitts

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